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All Wheat Production Decreases 21 Percent

Idaho's 2001 all wheat production decreased to 85.2 million bushels, down 21 percent from last year's 108.5 million bushels.

Winter wheat yield, at 73.0 bushels per acre, is down 17.0 bushels from last year's record yield. Winter wheat production totaled 51.8 million bushels from 710,000 harvested acres, down 21 percent from last year's 65.7 million bushels. The 2001 winter wheat production is estimated to be 81 percent white and 19 percent hard red. Spring wheat yield, at 68.0 bushels per acre, is down 7.0 bushels from a year ago. Idaho's spring wheat production totaled 33.3 million bushels from 490,000 harvested acres, down 22 percent from last years' 42.8 million bushels. The spring wheat crop is estimated to be 44 percent white and 56 percent hard red.

Barley yield is estimated at 75.0 bushels per acre, down 1.0 bushel per acre from last year's yield. Barley production totaled 50.3 million bushels from 670,000 harvested acres, down 9 percent from 2000's production of 55.5 million bushels.

Oat yield, at 68.0 bushels per acre, is down 2.0 bushels from 2000. Oat production totaled 1.36 million bushels from 20,000 harvested acres. This production is 3 percent less than 2000's 1.40 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat production for 2001 totaled 1.96 billion bushels, down 2 percent from the last forecast and 12 percent below 2000. This is the lowest production since 1988. Winter wheat production is estimated at 1.36 billion bushels, the lowest level since 1978. This is down 2 percent from the August forecast and 13 percent below 2000. The average yield is 43.5 bushels per acre, 1.2 bushels below last year's final yield. Harvested acreage for grain, at 31.3 million acres, is the smallest harvested area since 1933. Other Spring Wheat production totaled 513 million bushels, down 1 percent from the September forecast and 8 percent less than 2000. Barley production is estimated at 250 million bushels, down 5 percent from the September Forecast and down 22 percent from last year's estimate. This year's production is the lowest since 1953. Acreage harvested for grain totaled 4.29 million acres, 18 percent below a year ago. Oat production is estimated at 117 million bushels, 22 percent below last year's 150 million bushels. This is the lowest production on record.

Small Grains: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production, Idaho and U. S. 2000 - 2001

STATE	Area Harvested		Yield		Production	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>		<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
IDAHO						
Winter Wheat	730	710	90.0	73.0	65,700	51,830
Spring Wheat	570	490	75.0	68.0	42,750	33,320
Barley	730	670	76.0	75.0	55,480	50,250
Oats	20	20	70.0	68.0	1,400	1,360
UNITED STATES						
Winter Wheat	35,072	31,295	44.7	43.5	1,566,023	1,361,479
Spring Wheat	14,489	14,569	38.4	35.2	556,632	512,608
Barley	5,213	4,289	61.1	58.2	318,728	249,590
Oats	2,329	1,905	64.2	61.3	149,545	116,856

Idaho Dry Bean Production Decreases From Last Year

Idaho dry bean production is forecast to be 1.35 million cwt., down 21 percent from last year's 1.72 million cwt. This is the lowest dry bean production in Idaho since 1936. Yields are expected to average 1,850 pounds per acre, a decrease of 100 pounds per acre from 2000 and 50 pounds below the August forecast. Harvested acreage is expected to total 73,000 acres, down 17 percent from last year's 88,000 acres harvested. Dry Bean estimates include garbanzo beans, which are grown primarily in North Idaho. All hay production is forecast at 4.62 million tons, a decrease of 13 percent from the 5.29 million tons produced a year ago. Harvested area for all hay is expected to total 1.42 million acres, an increase of 2 percent from last year. Production of alfalfa hay is estimated at 4.14 million tons, down 13 percent from 2000. Harvested acreage, at 1.12 million acres, is down 1 percent from last year. Other hay production is estimated at 480,000 tons from 300,000 harvested acres, down from the 546,000 tons from 260,000 acres in 2000. Idaho sugarbeet production for 2001 is forecast to be 4.97 million tons, down 11 percent from the 5.60 million tons a year ago. Yield of 25.5 tons per acre is down from last

year's record 29.3 tons per acre. Harvested area of 195,000 acres is up from the 191,000 acres harvested in 2000.

Nationally, the 2001 crop of dry beans is forecast at 19.4 million cwt., down 27 percent from a year ago and 41 percent below 1999. This is the lowest dry bean production for the U. S. since 1988. Harvested area is estimated at 1.32 million acres, down 18 percent from 2000. The average yield of 1,472 pounds per acre is 174 pounds below 2000. All hay production at the U. S. level is forecast at 162 million tons, 7 percent more than 2000. Production of alfalfa hay is expected to total 81.6 million tons, up 2 percent from last year. Other hay production is estimated at a record high 80.7 million tons, 12 percent above last year's production. U. S. sugarbeet production is forecast at 28.3 million tons, 13 percent below the 32.4 million tons produced last year. Harvested area is expected to total 1.33 million acres, 3 percent less than last year.

Dry Bean Production Top 10 States

	1,000 Cwt.
North Dakota	6,300
Nebraska	2,860
Colorado	1,785
California	1,513
Minnesota	1,450
Idaho	1,351
Michigan	1,230
Washington	665
Wyoming	500
Montana	397

Alfalfa Hay Production Top 10 States

	1,000 Tons
California	7,272
South Dakota	7,125
Wisconsin	5,510
Nebraska	5,220
Minnesota	4,950
Iowa	4,810
Idaho	4,144
Kansas	3,800
Michigan	3,780
Colorado	3,420

September 1 Grain Stocks Down From 2000

Idaho's September 1, 2001 stocks of wheat stored in all positions totaled 76.7 million bushels, down 17 percent from the 92.1 million bushels stored in all positions last year. On-farm storage was estimated at 41.0 million bushels, down 5 percent from September 1, 2000. Off-farm storage, including stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors was estimated at 35.7 million bushels, down 27 percent from the 49.1 million bushels stored off-farm last year. Idaho's Barley stocks in all positions totaled 41.4 million bushels, down 6 percent from September 1, 2000. On-farm storage was estimated at 24.0 million bushels, down 4 percent from 2000. Off-farm storage was estimated at 17.4 million bushels, down 9 percent from a year ago.

Nationally, all wheat stored in all positions on September 1, 2001, was estimated at 2.16 billion bushels, down 8 percent from September 1, 2000. On-farm stocks were 697 million bushels, down 14 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 1.46 billion bushels, down 6 percent from last year. Barley stored in all positions on September 1, 2001, was estimated at 245 million bushels, 17 percent below last year's 294 million bushels. Of the total barley stocks on hand, 135 million bushels were stored on farms, 11 percent below September 1, 2000. Off-farm stocks, at 111 million bushels, were down 22 percent from last year.

Mid-September Prices Received by Farmers

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of September showed decreases from August for all barley, feed barley, beef cattle, cows, and calves. Prices increased from the previous month for malting barley, dry beans, potatoes, all wheat, steers & heifers, and all milk.

For the U.S., the September All Farm Products Index of Prices Received was 106 based on 1990-92=100, down 3 points (2.8 percent) from the August index. Higher prices for lettuce, broilers, milk, and wheat were partially offset by the decrease in prices for soybeans, strawberries, hogs, and cattle.

Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, Sept. 2000 - Sept. 2001

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		September 2000	August 2001	September 2001 ^{1/}	September 2000	August 2001	September 2001	
							Price ^{1/}	% Parity
CROPS:								
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	98.00	125.00	121.00	86.00	105.00	106.00	-
Barley, All	Bu.	2.37	3.02	2.87	1.81	2.42	2.21	34
Feed	Bu.	1.73	1.97	1.95	1.54	1.53	1.79	-
Malting	Bu.	2.62	3.09	3.10	2.36	2.84	2.64	-
Dry Beans	Cwt.	17.20	18.00	18.50	15.60	17.50	18.00	38
Potatoes ^{2/}	Cwt.	4.15	6.05	6.30	4.65	6.84	6.72	49
Fresh ^{3/}	Cwt.	2.90	9.40	-	4.92	12.60	-	-
Processing	Cwt.	4.50	4.70	-	4.40	4.59	-	-
Wheat, All	Bu.	2.34	3.05	3.07	2.43	2.73	2.80	29
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS:								
Beef Cattle ^{4/}	Cwt.	60.90	65.90	64.70	65.30	70.70	70.00	44
Cows ^{5/}	Cwt.	35.80	40.30	39.00	37.20	43.10	41.60	-
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	68.00	71.60	72.00	68.60	73.60	73.00	-
Calves	Cwt.	90.00	101.00	98.00	103.00	106.00	106.00	51
Lambs	Cwt.	75.00	52.00	-	80.80	55.40	-	-
Milk, All ^{6/}	Cwt.	11.30	15.00	15.20	12.90	16.40	7/16.80	8/50
Fluid Grade ^{9/}	Cwt.	11.30	15.00	-	13.00	16.50	7/16.80	-
Mfg. Grade	Cwt.	11.50	15.20	-	11.40	15.40	7/15.70	-

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ "Cows" and "steers & heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 7/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.60, fluid milk 3.60, mfg. grade 3.69. 8/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 9/ Including milk diverted to manufacturing.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	August 2000	September 2000	August 2001		September 2001 Preliminary
			Preliminary	Revised	
Prices Received	96	97	109	109	106
Prices Paid	119	120	123	123	124
Ratio ^{1/}	81	81	89	89	85

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

IDAHO ONION PRODUCTION

Onion production in Idaho is expected to be 4.7 million cwt., a 2 percent decrease from 2000's production of 4.8 million cwt. The yield for Idaho is expected to be 630 cwt., down 20 cwt. from last year. Overall onion bulb size and yields have been affected by thrips and drought conditions.

Nationally, summer storage onion production is expected to total

3.8 million cwt., down 3 percent from last year, and 13 percent less than in 1999. This production total does not include California, where summer storage onions are mostly for processing. California farmers expect to produce 12.6 million cwt. of summer onions. This is a 22 percent decrease from last year. Washington production, at 7.8 million cwt., is down 5 percent from 2000.

U. S. Dairy Products August 2001 Highlights

Butter production was 76.5 million pounds in August, 8.5 percent below August 2000 and 4.2 percent below July 2001.

American type cheese production totaled 287 million pounds, 1.7 percent below August 2000 and 3.9 percent below July 2001.

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 664 million pounds, 2.9 percent below August 2000 and 2.2 percent below July 2001.

Lowfat cottage cheese production was 34.8 million pounds, 7.2 percent above August 2000 and 11.6 percent above July 2001.

Cream cottage cheese production was 33.1 million pounds, 3.0 percent below August 2000 but 1.7 percent above July 2001.

Dry milk products: (comparisons with August 2000)

Nonfat dry milk

for human food --- 95.7 million pounds, down 9.1 percent.

Dry whole milk --- 3.54 million pounds, down 55.9 percent.

Dry buttermilk --- 2.32 million pounds, down 31.8 percent.

Frozen dessert: (comparisons with August 2000)

Ice cream

Regular (hard) --- 79.9 million gallons, down 0.6 percent.

Lowfat (total) --- 40.1 million gallons, up 6.6 percent.

Nonfat (hard) --- 1.79 million gallons, down 27.4 percent.

Sherbet (hard) --- 4.74 million gallons, up 0.3 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 7.93 million gallons, down 11.0 percent.

U.S. Hog Inventory Down 1 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2001, was 58.6 million head. This was 1 percent below September 2000, but 1 percent above June 1, 2001.

The June-August 2001 U.S. pig crop, at 25.0 million head, was 2 percent less than 2000, and 3 percent less than 1999. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.84 million head, 2 percent below last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 46 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs per litter was 8.82 pigs saved per litter for the June-August

2001 period, compared to 8.84 pigs last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 8.90 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.88 million sows farrow during the September-November 2001 quarter, 1 percent above the actual farrowings during the same period in 2000, and 1 percent above 1999. Intended farrowings for December 2001-February 2002, at 2.84 million sows, are 3 percent above the same period in 2001 and up 1 percent from 2000.